



Guilford students and professor provide a new twist to the traditional Serendipity activity of hoppin' in the sack.

## Another one bites the dust

# Serendipity '81

This year, Serendipity turned out pretty much the same as in all years, people wearing less, drinking more, and falling just a little farther behind on that work due on Monday.

Except for a few grim and determined souls hidden away in the recesses of the library or the **Guilfordian** office, Guilford students past and present drank beer, listened to live bands, threw frisbees, drank more beer, ate bagels, danced, observed members of the opposite sex, and drank even more beer.

Most students (except those in the library or on the **Guilfordian** staff) did these and other things during the many scheduled, and more in the spirit of

the name, spontaneous events on campus.

For example, late Friday night, while many students danced in Sternberger, others busied themselves by ripping toilet paper holders from the walls of the English dormitory bathrooms, watched the flames rise in a fire behind the library, or simply watched the clouds drift by the stars through glassy eyes.

But for most, Serendipity was a lot of fun, and in an effort to recreate for you the signs and sounds of the ninth annual Guilford rite of spring, we are happy to direct you to this week's center spread.

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## Rape: an ever-present problem

By Wendy Barkley

Rape is a crime of incredible abuse, both physical and mental, a violation of the mind and soul, capable of leaving emotional wounds which may never totally heal. It is a crime that is too often misunderstood. So many women have been raped or sexually abused, and many more will be. (According to the Rape Crisis Center, in Greensboro, reported rape and attempted rape increased 35% from 1979 to 1980.) Victims of rape come from all racial, ethnic, and social backgrounds; they are of all ages. Women are raped by strangers as well as by acquaintances, such as coworkers, bosses, boyfriends, or people who are somewhat familiar to the victim.

Rape of a woman by an acquaintance is termed, simply, acquaintance rape. Of all the rapes committed, acquaintance rapes account for an overwhelming number. According to Janet Bode in her book, **Fighting Back**, 60% of the teenage victims were at least vaguely acquainted with their assailant, 40% of the adult victims were acquainted, and 80% of the child victims knew their assailant.

Dr. Bobby Doolittle states, "People just don't realize how frequently rape occurs. Most males have no conceptual understanding of the seriousness of a rape incident for a woman in terms of future psychological implications." Acquaintance rapes are capable of leaving the

same emotional scars as "traditional" rape, and the fact that the victims know their assailants often adds to the trauma even more. A victim of acquaintance sexual assault on the Guilford campus relates her feelings of betrayal following the incident: "From a stranger, you are left to deal with his invasion upon your body, primarily, and you can readily hate his unknown face afterwards. But from a friend, I felt less

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-- Kathy Adams

upon my body than from in my heart at such a gross betrayal of my faith." Another victim of acquaintance rape remembers her shock and confusion: "There was such an amazing transformation from the guy I knew at school and the animal that raped me. He became so violent, so insane, so brutal. He stole my humanity - I was not a person, I was his object."

Neither of these two women are alone in their experiences or feelings. Hundreds of women each year are raped by people they are at least vaguely acquainted with. Virtually no place is safe (the rape crisis

center reports that in 1980, 68% of all the rapes or attempted rapes in Greensboro occurred in the victim's home), and accordingly, the Guilford College campus is by no means sheltered and protected. Kathy Adams, Assistant Professor of Psychology at Guilford cautions, "We don't escape rape on this campus because we all know each other."

Many rape victims experience embarrassment and guilt

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### New concentration proposed

## Learning of peace and justice

By Steve Harvey and Mike Sieverts

A new concentration in **Peace and Justice** will probably be offered beginning next year.

Pending likely approval after Wednesday's faculty meeting, students will have the opportunity to create with their advisor a six-course concentration emphasizing "the complex interdependence of human life and its connection with a fragile habitat, both natural and sociopolitical."

The concentration has been developed by a committee of concerned faculty members under the leadership of Cyrus Johnson and Paul Zopf. It was

## If you need help...

RAPE can happen to anyone, anytime, anyplace. What if it happens to you? Here are special numbers to call and places to go in case it does happen to you.

### TO REPORT THE CRIME:

RAPE CENTER  
273-7273

Greensboro Police  
373-2222

Sheriff's Office  
373-3327

Switchboard Crisis Center  
275-0896

### For Medical Care:

Moses H. Cone Memorial  
1200 North Elm Street  
379-4040  
Greensboro Hospital  
1501 Pembroke Rd.  
373-8555

### V.D. Clinic

301 N. Eugene St.  
Greensboro, 373-3184  
Women's Pavilion  
273-3371

peace and justice to our world."

The concentration would consist of six courses, two required and four determined with the help of the student's advisor. The two required courses include a revised Sociology 102 dealing with peace and justice as social problems, and on IDS 401 "capstone" course tying together the themes pursued in the previous five courses.

While all department will be encouraged to contribute courses to the concentration, the committee will not have the power to create any new courses other than the IDS 401.

Scott Gassler of the economics department is planning to

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